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You authorized report to NAC following summary Khrushchev discussions McCloy on Berlin July 26 and 27.

Khrushchev generally in good humor and gave typical performance varying from storm to calm. His strongest reaction generally arose when commenting on alleged threat of war contained President's speech over German peace treaty and cancellation rights. Basic position developed by Khrushchev essentially followed lines developed in Vienna talks with President and in aide-memoire handed to President at that time.

Khrushchev emphasized determination go through with peace treaty under any conditions, stating peace treaty would be signed and nothing could intimidate him. He deplored war talk and asserted although Soviets do not want war they have means destroy all Europe. Khrushchev expressed doubts whether US and Allies

Willing to face war and asserted his belief in President's common sense in dealing with Berlin problem. He said he had asked General Staff and Defense Minister to advise him what steps should be taken to put his own military force in order. After returning Moscow he would put into effect what they felt necessary.

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to strengthen Soviet defenses. If necessary, he would publicly inform Soviet people US presenting Soviets with ultimatum tantamount to war. He contended if war should come it would not be over Berlin but war of monopolist imperialists against socialist countries. He emphasized Soviet rocket commands and implied great Soviet superiority in this field, "mobilize" asserting President's alleged intention ~~to mobilize~~ armed forces and industrial potential might not be followed by similar action on Soviets part, since Soviets have enough bombs to make it unnecessary to take people away from industry.

In contrast to this rocket rattling discourse, however, Khrushchev repeatedly stated Soviets do not want war, urged situation not be inflamed and invited West ~~but insisted they be in consultation with~~ peace treaty; advance its own proposals. He reaffirmed willingness guarantee freedom and independence West Berlin once peace treaty signed and welcomed Western proposals for such guarantees. Soviet proposal for negotiations on peace treaty remains valid and open; Soviets desire remove "rotten tooth" on basis of peace treaty and not on basis ultimatum.

McGloy speaking as private citizen asserted US concern derives primarily from Soviet contention that peace treaty would cut off Western rights and all our commitments would be relegated to whims of East Germany and Ulbricht. He referred to possibility of negotiations, stressing our willingness to negotiate on unrestricted basis. McGloy further stated nobody stupid enough to want war, our people not afraid of competition with USSR, and community of interests between two sides on German problem should lead to peaceful solution.

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